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ARA/APU:PFAUCETT

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EB/OT/GCP:JEO'MAHONY

USDA/FAS:PMACKIE

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TO AMEMBASSY BUENOS AIRES PRIORITY

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EAGR, ETRD, AR

SUBJ: ARGENTINE MEAT EXPORTS TO THE UNITED STATES

REF: (A) BUENOS AIRES 3416; (B) STATE 95399

1. DEPARTMENT THANKS THE AMBASSADOR FOR HIS SUGGESTIONS  
RE ARGENTINE MEAT EXPORTS AND HIS EXPLANATION OF POLITICAL  
IMPORTANCE TO GOA. INFO SUPPLIED ON SHORT NOTICE BY  
DEPARTMENT IN REF B WAS INTENDED FOR AMBASSADOR'S MEETING  
SAME DAY; IT PROVIDED ONLY ASSESSMENT OF COMPATIBILITY  
REPORTED ARGENTINE PROPOSALS WITH EXISTING U.S. LAW AND  
REGULATIONS AND WAS NOT INTENDED EXCLUDE POSSIBILITY  
DIALOGUE WITH ARGENTINA ON MEAT TRADE ISSUES.

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2. AS REQUESTED PARA 7, REF A, U.S. AGENCIES WILL REVIEW ARGENTINE MEAT TRADE SITUATION TO SEE IF WE CAN OFFER SUGGESTIONS (CONSISTENT WITH OUR NEED TO ENFORCE STRICTLY OUR REGULATIONS FOR THE SAFEGUARDING OF ANIMAL HEALTH) WHICH WILL ENABLE ARGENTINA TO ACHIEVE ITS OBJECTIVE OF EXPANDING MEAT EXPORTS. WE WILL GIVE PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO PRICE COMPETITIVENESS ARGENTINE MEAT AS SUGGESTED PARA 8, REFTTEL, AND WILL RESPOND FURTHER WHEN INITIAL REVIEW COMPLETED, WITHIN ONE TO TWO WEEKS.

3. EMBASSY SHOULD BE AWARE IN DISCUSSIONS WITH ARGENTINES THAT URGENCY OF ARGENTINE NEED TO INCREASE MEAT EXPORTS TO U.S. ARISES LARGELY FROM ACTIONS RECENTLY TAKEN BY EC AND MEMBER STATES TO RESTRICT MEAT IMPORTS DUE TO FALLING LIVESTOCK PRICES IN EUROPE, AS OPPOSED TO PROBLEMS RELATED TO U.S. HEALTH STANDARDS. RECENT EC BANS ON CHILLED MEAT IMPORTS AND INCREASING IMPORT LEVIES HAVE CONSTRICTED ARGENTINA'S LARGEST EXPORT MARKET AND FORCED ARGENTINES TO ATTEMPT DIVERT TRADE TO OTHER COUNTRIES, ESPECIALLY U.S. WHICH IS ONLY MAJOR IMPORTING COUNTRY WITHOUT QUOTAS OR HIGH TARIFF BARRIERS. (FYI FALLING CATTLE PRICES IN THE U.S. HAVE PLACED CATTLE FEEDERS UNDER GREAT PRESSURE AND HAVE PROMPTED CONGRESSIONAL BILLS THAT WOULD ENACT MEAT IMPORT RESTRICTIONS. THUS FAR, NO HEARINGS HAVE BEEN SCHEDULED ON THESE BILLS. END FYI) RUSH

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